On the Occurrence of Cicindela fera Chevrolat in the United States (Coleoptera-Cicindelidae)

A single female of *C. fera*, with all lunules colored deep orange as in *C. sommeri* Mann., was collected one mile south of Rodeo (Hidalgo county) New Mexico, on August 5, 1955, at a location 32 miles north of the Mexican border. This lone specimen was found on the wet and muddy edge of a drainage ditch, in conjunction with *C. sedecimpunctata* Klug.

C. fera is a tiger beetle that was thought to be wholly contained within the territorial limits of Mexico; its distribution according according to Dr. M. A. Cazier (in Bulletin of the American Museum of Natural History, 1954, vol. 103, p. 257) ranges from Pitiquito, Sonora, all the way down the western side of Mexico to the state of Chiapas where it crosses the Isthmus of Tehuantepec to be found northward along the Gulf coast to the Panuco River in Veracruz. An isolated population is found astride the Durango-Coahuila border.

The insect collected near Rodeo indicates that another isolated population exists, this one in the United States along the lower Arizona—New Mexico state line, very nearly 200 miles northeast of the nearest known location in Mexico.—NORMAN L. RUMPP, China Lake, California.

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